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Set Rededication Of Marker Today

Sen. Robert Mellow and Rep. Frank Serafini will be among guests for the rededication of a Pennsylvania Historical and Museum Commission marker next to Carbondale City Hall today at ceremonies beginning at 10 a.m. in City Hall Council Chambers.

The event is sponsored by The Committee to Restore Carbondale City Hall, Inc., who earlier this year paid to have the clock in Carbondale City Hall Tower repaired.

The marker is an original one placed in Childs years ago, but it was knocked over and damaged earlier this year. Russell and Robert Powell of Carbondale repaired the historical marker and arranged for the rededication ceremony. The marker states: "CARBONDALE – Founded by the Wurts brothers, pioneers in developing anthracite resources of the region, in 1822. Here the first underground mine was opened in June, 1831, near Seventh Avenue. Chartered as a city in 1851."

Included in the ceremonies will be remarks by Mellow, Serafini, Mayor Fred Mancuso, Powell, a short history on the Wurtz brothers by John Buberniak and benediction by Rev. Claude A. Pullis. Also expected to be present is Mrs. Robert Smith, director of planning and research for the Economic Development Council of Northeastern Pennsylvania. The public is invited.